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NOTIFICATION.

WHEREAS, the Ministry of Agriculture & Co-operation, Government of India has launched the National Bamboo Mission for development of bamboo both in forest and non forest lands.

AND WHEREAS, the Government of Sikkim has declared Horticulture and Cash Crop Development Department as the Nodal Department for implementation of the NBM Programme in the State vide Notification No.03/Home/2007 dated 09/01/2007.

AND WHEREAS, the programme related to bamboo development in forest lands is to be implemented through the Forest Development Agencies already constituted for implementation of National Afforestation Programme through people's participation.

NOW THEREFORE, to achieve a co-ordinated approach with specific focus to develop and utilize the bamboo resources along with the resources available in the forest as well, following Bamboo Forest Development Agencies are hereby constituted with immediate effect.

A. State Level Bamboo Forest Development Agency.

1. Chief Conservator of Forests (Territorial)	- Chairman.
2. Chief Conservator of Forests (Wildlife)	- Member.
3. Conservator of Forests (Territorial)	- Member.
4. Conservator of Forests (Wildlife)	- Member.
5. Conservator of Forests (Land Use & Environment)	- Member.
6. Representative from G.B.Panth Institute of Himalayan Environment & Development	- Member.
7. Project Director, Bamboo Mission	- Member Secretary.

The functions of the State Level Bamboo Development Agency will be as follows.

1. To scrutinize and approve plans for National Bamboo Mission to be implemented in forest lands.
2. To provide information and inputs related to implementation of Bamboo Development Programme in forest area to the State Level Steering Committee on National Bamboo Mission.
3. To monitor the implementation of the National Bamboo Mission in the forest lands.

B. District Level Bamboo Forest Development Agency.

1. Divisional Forest Officer (Territorial)	- Chairman.
2. Divisional Forest Officer (Wildlife)	- Member.
3. Divisional Forest Officer (Land Use & Environment)	- Member.
4. All Range Officers (Territorial)	- Members.
5. All Range Officers (Wildlife)	- Members.
6. Any two Presidents of JFMCs to be nominated by Chairman	- Members.
7. Assistant Conservator of Forest (T) at Division Headquarters	- Member Secretary.

The functions of the District Level Bamboo Forest Development Agency will be as under.

1. To prepare plans and implement the National Bamboo Mission Programme in forest area in the district concerned.
2. To develop and maintain nurseries for production of planting materials for the programme.
3. To utilize the registered Joint Forest Management Committees and Eco-Development Committees for plantation of bamboo in forest lands and its maintenance.

BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR.

D. B. Shrestha, IFS,
Principal C.C.F-cum-Secretary.